WHEREAS, The month of May, 1978, will be observed as Lite-A-Bike Month in South Dakota; and,

WHEREAS, The Lite-A-Bike program was established with one basic purpose in mind: To help develop safer bike riders. Activities designed to help achieve this purpose include: (1) Inspection of bicycles; (2)Tests of bicyclists' riding ability; and (3) Application of reflectorized tape as a supplement to proper lighting equipment; and,

WHEREAS, The program emphasizes the need for safe bicycling at all times. Special attention is called to the fact that nighttime bicycle riding on streets and highways is a dangerous practice, and that proper lighting equipment supplemented with reflectorized tape provides some protection, but does not eliminate the hazards of riding under the conditions of dusk or darkness; and,

WHEREAS, The Lite-A-Bike program has been sponsored by Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliaries for thirteen years and to date the V.F.W. and Ladies Auxiliaries have applied tape to twenty-five million bicycles and more than 7,000 V.F.W. Posts have participated; and,

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Ladies Auxiliary be commended for their participation in this worthwhile project:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 1978, as

LITE-A-BIKE MONTH

in South Dakota.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighth day of April, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Eight

RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

LORNA C. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE

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